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On July 22, 1884, he was rebaptized by George Meldrum and confirmed by A. Watson. On July 24 he married Margaret Jane Syme. He taught three terms of school that winter, lacking a week. He left April 14, 1884, on a mission to Great Britain, on which President John Taylor of the Church called him. Ed Clyde of Heber City was in the same group and Frank Fraughton of Heber and John Martin of Midway for the Southern States Mission.

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William Albert Nuttall was born March 19, 1878, in Wallsburg, Utah, son of William George Nuttall and Juliet Wall. He married Margaret Grace Greer, daughter of Dixon Hamlin Greer and Harriett Camp (Murphy), on November 16, 1904, in the Salt Lake Temple. She was born October 31, 1880, in Wallsburg. William Albert died July 8, 1942.

Albert went on a mission to New Zealand in 1900 and returned in 1903. He became Bishop George P. Garff's second counselor.

William A. Nuttall was a dairy farmer and had the best herd of Jersey cows in the western states. Grace was on a mission to Texas in 1946 and her husband and four children have all been on missions. Grace has traveled a great deal, in 1953 to Hawaii by plane, with a group of Utah people, for three weeks; in 1958 through the Southern States to Florida, to Key West, and by

plane to Cuba. She has toured New York, Washington, D. C., Niagara Falls and all historical Church places, and has been to all the temples in Utah, Idaho, Arizona, California and Hawaii.

Their children: William Reed, Ruth, Dean Dixon, Jesse Greer, Juliet, Margaret Alice, Diana and Albert Cecil.

Grace G. Nuttall has, besides her children, 43 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

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venson on May 1, 1857, in Scotland. Although a good, honest man, he was not a believer in the gospel as taught by the Latter-day Saints, which caused her a great deal of trouble throughout her life. But with it all she was true and faithful to him, and she retained his love and confidence up to the time of his death.

In the year 1858 they came to the United States. John, being a coal miner, found work near McKeesport, Pennsylvania, where they lived until 1863. Soon after their arrival in America, Sister Stevenson began working to save money enough to bring her parents and their family to America. By taking in boarders and doing any other extra work she could obtain, she raised the money to pay their fare out to Pennsylvania in 1859. Her next great task was to raise money for their fare out to Utah. In 1862 she had sufficient money to send her father and his children to Utah. Her mother had died in Pennsylvania in 1861. In 1863 she determined to come to Utah with her family and also her husband, if she could prevail upon him to come. She made all preparations and by kind words and persuasion he was ready to start. When they reached the Missouri River he refused to go any farther and she would not consent to go back. He went to an officer of the law and secured an order authorizing him to take the children from their mother, but with the help of some teamsters from Utah, she got into a wagon and moved out a few miles so he could not find her. He then agreed to drive a team in an independent company, with the idea of yet finding his children and taking them back. They met once on the way near Fort Laramie and he told her he still had the writ authorizing him to take the children. She asked him to show her the writ and then tore it into pieces. He gave up the idea, but did come on to Utah. Sister Stevenson gave birth to a child while they were traveling, without assistance from anyone, but with the Lord's blessing managed to get along and attend to herself and her children, and arrived safely in Utah.

She came to Heber soon after, but took great pains to get word to her husband and they lived together as husband and wife until his death. She passed through many very trying hardships, at times al-

most starving for food. In fact, one of her children died near Coalville due mostly to lack of proper nourishment. In 1870 she returned to Heber and commenced to build her home. With her own hands she aided in every possible way with the building. Her husband, who worked in the mines, sent her money as he could. In this way her house was completed.

For years she went out nursing the sick and afflicted, always ready to lend a helping hand. She never lost her faith in the gospel in all the trials and hardships she had to endure, and had the satisfaction of seeing her husband join the Church before his death. With all her sufferings and privations, she always felt she had been greatly blessed of the Lord throughout her life. In her eighty-first year she made a trip to Butte, Montana, to visit two of her daughters, dying here September 16, 1917.

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